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SUBJECT: PRESS STATEMENT ON RECENT VIOLENCE

REF: A) KIGALI 4249 B) AISTON/LEADER TELCON

C) KIGALI 4211

WE FULLY SUPPORT THE STATEMENT PROPOSED IN REF (A), WHICH WOULD SERVE TO UNDERLINE OUR SUPPORT FOR THE PEACE PROCESS AND MAKE CLEAR OUR STRONG OBJECTION TO EFFORTS INTENDED TO UNDERMINE THAT PROCESS THROUGH INDISCRIMINATE CONFIDENTIAL

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STATE 363032 022351Z PAGE 02 ACTS OF VIOLENCE. POST IS AUTHORIZED TO RELEASE THE STATEMENT, WITH THE FOLLOWING MODIFICATION: PLEASE INSERT THE WORDS "RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT" (OR RPF, AS POST PREFERS) IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE WORD "GOVERNMENT" IN THE LAST SENTENCE. THIS SHOULD AVOID ANY POSSIBLE MISINTERPRETATION AND ENSURE THAT ALL SIDES PERCEIVE THE MESSAGE AS BEING BALANCED. WE COMMEND POST FOR ITS TIMELY EFFORT AND INITIATIVE. TARNOFF